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## **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station Boston, Massachusetts 02110

RE: Western Massachusetts Electric Company, Report on Reducing the Number of Double Utility Poles, D.T.E. 03-87

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Pursuant to the Department of Telecommunications and Energy's September 10, 2003 Order and October 2, 2003 Memorandum in the above-referenced proceeding, Western Massachusetts Electric Company ("WMECO") hereby files an original and four copies of its Report on Reducing the Number of Double Utility Poles. Also included is WMECO's Appearance of Counsel. Please contact me or John Tulloch at (413)787-9018 or <a href="mailto:tullojs@nu.com">tullojs@nu.com</a> should you have any questions in regard to this filing.

Sinc erely,

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Attachments